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**DATE:** April 11, 2000

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
AS REVISED BY THE COMMITTEE ON  
TRANSPORTATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS  
ANALYSIS**

**BILL #:** House Bill 625

**RELATING TO:** Florida Highway Patrol Memorial Highway/Interstate 75

**SPONSOR(S):** Rep. Johnson and others

**TIED BILL(S):** N/A

**ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:**

- (1) TRANSPORTATION YEAS 8 NAYS 0
  - (2) TRANSPORTATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS YEAS 8  
NAYS 0
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**I. SUMMARY:**

This bill designates Interstate 75 in Florida as the "Florida Highway Patrol Memorial Highway." The Department of Transportation (DOT) is directed to erect suitable markers for the designation.

This bill has an insignificant fiscal impact in the Department of Transportation on the State Transportation (Primary) Trust Fund of approximately \$3,000 for erecting markers for the designation. See Part III. Fiscal Analysis & Economic Impact Statement for details.

On April 11, 2000, the Committee on Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations adopted one amendment that redesignates the Bartow Agricultural Center, the "Bob Crawford Agricultural Center"; the Jensen Beach Causeway Bridge, the "Frank Wacha Bridge"; and renames the Science and Education Building at the Southeast Campus of Florida Atlantic University, the "Senator James A. Scott Building."

II. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS:

A. DOES THE BILL SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| 1. <u>Less Government</u>         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. <u>Lower Taxes</u>             | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. <u>Individual Freedom</u>      | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. <u>Personal Responsibility</u> | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. <u>Family Empowerment</u>      | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. PRESENT SITUATION:

Interstate 75 extends from the Florida/Georgia boundary in Hamilton County south through the north-central part of the state, then along the southwest coast before turning east to Dade County. The road consists of over 470 miles of limited access, divided highway. Portions of Interstate 75 currently have six designations: the "American Legion Memorial Highway"; "Alligator Alley Everglades Parkway"; "Francis L. Dade Memorial Highway"; Trooper Jeffery Dale Young Memorial Bridge"; "Alexis P. Courtelis Interchange"; and "Julius James and Family Interchange." Many roads in Florida have multiple or overlapping designations, and these prior designations are not affected by the bill.

C. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill designates Interstate 75 in Florida as the "Florida Highway Patrol Memorial Highway." The Department of Transportation (DOT) is directed to erect 10 suitable markers for the designation. At least one of the markers must list the names of every FHP Trooper killed in the line of duty.

D. SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS:

N/A

III. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

N/A

2. Expenditures:

DOT will incur costs of approximately \$3,000 (from the State Transportation Trust Fund) for erecting markers for the designation. This is based on the assumption that 10 markers will be erected along Interstate 75 at a cost of \$250 per marker, plus \$500 for an additional marker listing every FHP Trooper killed in the line of duty. The exact placement and number of signs will be determined by the DOT District offices pursuant to s. 334.071, F.S. This section provides that DOT is only required to erect markers at the termini or intersections specified for each highway segment or bridge designated, but has the authority to place other markers as appropriate for the transportation facility being designated. Given the length of the highway being designated, it is estimated that a minimum of 10 signs will need to be installed. DOT will also have to pay the recurring costs of maintaining these signs over time, and for future replacement of signs as necessary.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

N/A

2. Expenditures:

N/A

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

N/A

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

This bill has an insignificant fiscal impact in the Department of Transportation on the State Transportation (Primary) Trust Fund of approximately \$3,000 for erecting markers for designating the Florida Highway Patrol Memorial Highway. The Department will also incur minimum expenses for the maintenance of the sign and future replacement as needed.

IV. CONSEQUENCES OF ARTICLE VII, SECTION 18 OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION:

A. APPLICABILITY OF THE MANDATES PROVISION:

N/A

B. REDUCTION OF REVENUE RAISING AUTHORITY:

N/A

C. REDUCTION OF STATE TAX SHARED WITH COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES:

N/A

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V. COMMENTS:

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

N/A

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

N/A

C. OTHER COMMENTS:

N/A

VI. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

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VII. SIGNATURES:

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